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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to the following documents cited in the International Search Report for International Application PCT/EP02/10668 of which the above-referenced application is a continuation:

- (1) WO 02/13778 A2, February 21, 2002;
- (2) WO 02/19973 A2, March 14, 2002;
- (3) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0206934 A1 (RIEDEL et al.), November 6, 2003; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (2);
- (4) WO 97/32561 A1, September 12, 1997;
- (5) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0058051 A1 (NAWAZ et al.), May 16, 2002; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (4);
- (6) WO 97/26856 A1, July 31, 1997;

Applicants further direct the Examiner's attention to the following additional documents cited in the Search Report for German Patent Application 101 48 264.7 of which the above-referenced application claims priority:

- (7) DE 197 38 641 C1, July 1, 1999; accompanied by an English language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet);
- (8) DE 199 34 946 A1, February 1, 2001; accompanied by an English language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet);
- (9) DE 199 34 943 A1, February 1, 2001;
- (10) U.S. Patent No. 6,419,938 B1 (RIEDEL et al.), July 16, 2002; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (9);
- (11) DE 198 43 876 A1, April 13, 2000; accompanied by an English language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet);
- (12) DE 198 05 827 A1, August 19, 1999; accompanied by an English language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet);
- (13) DE 198 02 205 A1, July 29, 1999; accompanied by an English language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet).

Furthermore, Applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the following documents:

- (14) WO 98/52535 A1, November 26, 1998; Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed on page 3, first paragraph of the present application;
- (15) U.S. Patent No. 6,174,533 B1 (SANOGUEIRA, JR. et al.), January 16, 2001; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (14);

- (16) WO 99/24001 A1, May 20, 1999; Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed on page 3, first paragraph of the present application;
- (17) U.S. Patent No. 5,997,887 (HA et al.), December 7, 1999; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (16);
- (18) WO 00/24372 A1, May 4, 2000; Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed on page 3, first paragraph of the present application;
- (19) EP 0 934 956 A1, August 11, 1999; Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed on page 7, second paragraph of the present application;
- (20) U.S. Patent No. 6,020,446 (OKAMOTO et al.), February 1, 2000; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (19).

Copies of the above-listed documents (with the exception of U.S. patents and published U.S. Patent Applications) and of the International Search Report (in English) for International Application PCT/EP02/10668 are enclosed together with a completed copy of the PTO-1449 Form listing these documents. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form with the next official communication.

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Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not yet issued in the instant application, and thus, no fee is necessary to ensure consideration of this statement. However, if an Office Action has issued and is crossing in the mail with this statement, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0089 any fee necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted materials.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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